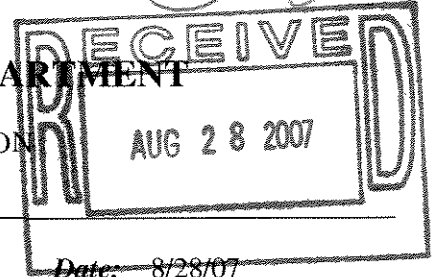


ACTON MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES DEPARTMENT

INTERDEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATION



To: John Murray, Temporary Town Manager

From: Dean A. Charter, Municipal Properties Director

Subject: Request to post sign on Town Common: Bugles Across America

Attached please find a request from a local representative of Bugles Across America to periodically post a temporary sign on the Town Common to announce a patriotic event near the Veteran's Monument.

I enthusiastically support his request, and strongly recommend approval.

Attach.

To Mr. Dean Charter
Municipal Properties Director

If I may, I would like to introduce myself. My name is David Thoma, I am a representative of Bugles Across America.

For the past 24 months we have gathered at the World War II, Korean and Vietnam memorial site by the fire station on Concord St. in Acton. This short ceremony is conducted through the efforts of Acton, s American Legion Post # 284. We gather on the 1st. Sunday of every month to remember and pay our respects to all the fallen Men and Women who have and are giving up so much for our great nation and us.

My plans are to make this a community function where everyone in and around Acton can come and join in on the ceremony. As I stated earlier that these ceremonies have been preformed for the last 24 months. What is so sad is that there are only on an average of 25 to 30 people who regularly attend. I try to help the cause by placing notices in the local newspapers and word of mouth, but this doesn't seem to get the job done.

The idea struck me one day that maybe by putting a sign on the site a few days before the 1st. Sunday of the month might help to inform the people in and around Acton as to the coming ceremony. A few weeks ago I talked to Fire Chief Craig about the idea of the sign, at that time he told me that he didn't have a problem with the sign being put up for a few days but he suggested that I contact you to let you know what I had in mind.

Well here goes, Mr. Charter, please bare in mind that I am not a sign maker by trade. My only though is to make the sign as simple and presentable as possible, keeping in mind that it is a temporary sign which will be used only a few days each month. My intensions are as followed, to place the sign at the war memorial site a few days prior to the 1st. Sunday of each month and remove it the same day after the ceremony.

The sign will be held in place by a wire holder , some what like a campaign sign. It will have a painted wood frame around the lettering which will be protected with plastic. The lettering will be, in my opinion very patriotic{ red , white , and blue }. The size of the sign will be approximately 24 inches by 24 inches and the top of the sign will be about 26 inches high. I have enclosed a rough sketch of my idea for the sign. As I stated earlier in no way am I a sign designer. I just want something simple that will get the job done and bring the people to these ceremonies.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or questions please contact me. I do hope that you will give this some great consideration and please let me know as to your decision about this matter. Thank you for your time and help.

For more information about Bugles Across America and what is being done check the following web sites, buglesacrossamerica.org and buglecall.org

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